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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Administration)

SUBJECT: Project [REDACTED]

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1. Information has been received from FE Division that the Deputy Director for Administration advised DC/FE informally that the Director has instructed DD/A to supervise the liquidation of the Project [REDACTED]. Since this project entails negotiations with the Washington Headquarters of GSA/Emergency Procurement Service and FOA, FE Division has recently been obtaining approval from DD/A prior to each discussion with security-cleared officers of these Agencies. However, FE representatives, for lack of authority to speak for the Agency, have confined their conversations to the exploration of possible lines of action relative to the liquidation of [REDACTED].

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The Director has not instructed the Deputy Director (Administration) to supervise the liquidation of Project [REDACTED] nor do I recall having conveyed such an impression to the Deputy Chief, FE Division. However, as a result of my discussions of this Project with the Director and others

I am sure it is the consensus that the Agency should free itself of further responsibility in connection with this Project as rapidly as possible, giving due consideration, of course, to the interests of other Government agencies involved. Accordingly, I have designated the General Counsel, Mr. Lawrence R. Houston, to act as my agent in dealing with this matter. Mr. Houston is empowered to act for the Deputy Director (Administration) in order to bring this Project to its conclusion if possible. It is my understanding that the Agency has no further operational interest in Project [REDACTED] that Agency funds are not involved nor to become involved, and that our interest is to attempt to assist the General Services Administration in any reasonable way to recoup its losses.

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